

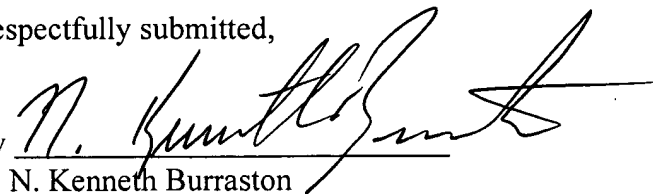
COMMENTS

Having resubmitted the "Amendments to the Claims" section of the Amendment dated August 12, 2004, which now includes the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims), Applicants respectfully assert that the Amendment filed August 12, 2004 is now fully compliant.

Respectfully submitted,

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